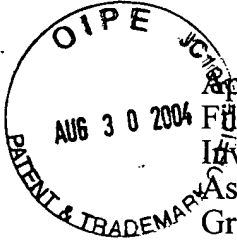


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The Specification

On page 2, immediately after line 4, please insert the following paragraphs:

Also accompanying this specification is a compact disc that stores tables listing the files included on the set of three compact discs (CD 1 of 3, CD 2 of 3, and CD 3 of 3), hereinafter referred to as the file table content disc. A duplicate copy of the file table content disc also accompanies this specification.

The file table content disc, and files stored thereon, may be read using a Windows®-based computing device (e.g., IBM-PC, or equivalent) that executes a Windows®-brand operating system (e.g., Windows® NT, Windows® 98, Windows® 2000, Windows® XP, etc.). The file table content disc conforms to the International Standards Organization (ISO) 9660 standard, and the contents of the file table content disc are in compliance with the American Standard Code for

Information Interchange (ASCII). The file table content disc includes the following three files:

<u>File Name</u>	<u>Size</u>	<u>Date</u>
TABLE1.TXT	5,181,563 bytes	8/19/04
TABLE2.TXT	5,756,136 bytes	8/19/04
TABLE3.TXT	5,054,712 bytes	8/19/04

Each of these three files contains a table that has more than 50 pages of text. The files on the file table content disc are hereby incorporated by reference.

The TABLE1.TXT file is a table listing all the files, including their names, sizes in bytes, and dates of creation, on the first compact disc in the set of three compact discs (CD 1 of 3). In the table, these files are listed in the order of creation date, creation time, size in bytes, and name.

The TABLE2.TXT file is a table listing all the files, including their names, sizes in bytes, and dates of creation, on the second compact disc in the set of three compact discs (CD 2 of 3). In the table, these files are listed in the order of creation date, creation time, size in bytes, and name.

The TABLE3.TXT file is a table listing all the files, including their names, sizes in bytes, and dates of creation, on the third compact disc in the set of three compact discs (CD 3 of 3). In the table, these files are listed in the order of creation date, creation time, size in bytes, and name.